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Dear Mr. Ciocca:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-When a committee reports receiving a loan from the candidate, it is necessary to clarify whether or not the candidate used personal funds or borrowed the money from a lending institution or some other source. If the candidate borrowed funds from a lending institution, or other source, please provide the name of the lending institution and the complete terms of the loan. Additionally, for loans from a lending institution, you must file an FEC FORM C-1 (copy attached) and a copy of the loan agreement. If the loan(s) was from personal funds, please acknowledge that fact in an amendment to this report. It is important to note that "personal funds" is strictly defined by Commission Regulations. See 11 CFR §110.10. (11 CFR §§100.7(a)(1) and 104.3(d))

-Your report includes loans owed to William Shuster with due dates of February 27, 2001 and March 1, 2001. Please clarify the current status of these loans and disclose the current terms and conditions if the loans were renegotiated. Note that an overdue loan from the candidate's personal funds may be considered a contribution from the candidate if new terms are not disclosed. (11 CFR §104.3(d))